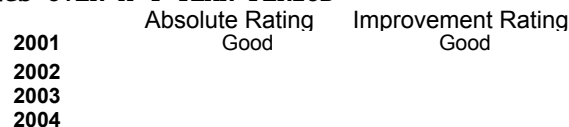


**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Good  
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Good

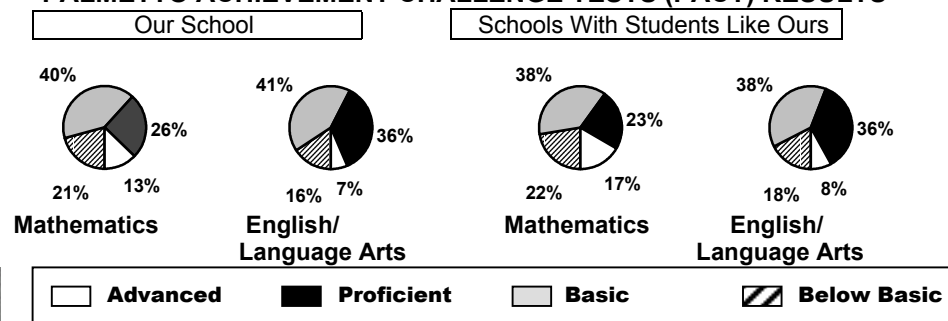
Number of middle schools with students similar to ours: 15. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from good to excellent. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to average.

#### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

#### PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



#### DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on 2004 School Report Cards. Social studies scores are to be reported on 2005 School Report Cards.

#### PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT

Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
<b>All students (n=417)</b>	84.2%	79.1%	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=40)	42.5%	32.5%		
Students without disabilities (n=377)	88.6%	84.1%		
<b>Gender</b>				
Male (n=211)	79.1%	79.1%		
Female (n=206)	89.3%	79.1%		
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African American (n=30)	80%	53.3%		
Hispanic (n=5)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=379)	84.7%	81.3%		
Other (n=3)	N/A	N/A		
<b>Lunch Status Group</b>				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=80)	68.8%	57.5%		
Pay for lunch (n=337)	87.8%	84.3%		

#### SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dollars spent per student	\$6,186	N/A	\$4,717	\$5,127
• Prime instructional time	90.5%	Down from 91.7%	90.8%	89.6%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.7 to 1	N/A	23.3 to 1	21.4 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=446)</b>				
• Attendance rate	96.6%	Down from 96.8%	96.6%	95.7%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	3.1%	N/A	2.6%	4.5%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	2.6%	N/A	2.3%	4.0%
• Retention rate	2.9%	Up from 0.2%	2%	4.5%
<b>TEACHERS (n=27)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	10.7 Days	Up from 7.4	8.3 Days	8.0 Days
• Attendance Rate	95.5%	Down from 96.2%	95.4%	95.2%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	51.9%	Down from 54.5%	53.1%	45.8%
• Continuing contract teachers	100%	Up from 93.9%	86%	80.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	1.8%	2.4%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	88.5%	Down from 93.6%	84.5%	83.7%
• Average teacher salary	\$39,627	Up 7.4%	\$38,659	\$37,455

#### SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dropout rate	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	40.3%	N/A	62.4%	61.5%
• Principal's years at the school	10	N/A	3	3.0
• Parents attending conferences	95.3%	N/A	65.1%	78.2%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• On academic plans	N/A	N/A	29%	45.8%
• On academic probation	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	2%	Up from 1%	2%	4.5%
• Suspended or expelled	4	N/A	9	15
• Enrolled in high school credit courses	11.4%	N/A	24.1%	13.2%
• Gifted and talented	24.6%	Down from 25.4%	25.4%	12.1%
• With disabilities other than speech	10.8%	Up from 10.1%	10.8%	13.6%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

### Powdersville Middle School Report

This has been a great year at Powdersville Middle School. Our students experienced success academically and artistically. They also engaged in numerous service activities for local and national causes. The following are some of our accomplishments:

- Our 2000 PACT scores were in the top 5 percent of the schools in the state;
- Our students won 5 out of the 6 awards in the District Writing Contest;
- The District Spelling Bee was won by one of our sixth grade students;
- A total of 70 students had their creative writings published in Carolina Writes and Creative Communications, state and regional literary magazines;
- Fifty-one band students participated in the SC State Solo and Ensemble Festival with 26 of them receiving Excellent ratings and 21 earning the top rating of Superior;
- Five students received honors and cash prizes in several county and state art competitions. One eighth grade student's work earned our school \$1,000 in art supplies;
- The Chorus received a Silver Medal in the Southern Star Music Festival;
- Service projects included participation in the Memory Walk for the Alzheimer's Association, St. Jude's Math-A-Thon, Make-A-Difference Day, and Toys for Tots. Our school runs a Meals on Wheels route and also hosted two multicultural festivals for local kindergarten and elementary school students; and
- Our school received a federal grant in the amount of \$160,000 for the establishment of a 21st Century Community Learning Center.

Our faculty and staff work very hard in and out of the classroom with two of them completing their master's degrees and 25 attending summer staff development sessions or classes at local universities. Finally, we very much appreciate the support of our PTSO, School Improvement Council, and community as a whole for their invaluable support in the raising of funds for school programs, the sponsoring of dances, the tutoring of students, and their volunteering efforts. As Powdersville Middle Patriots, we truly believe we are "Marching Toward a Better Future."

Monty Oxendine, Principal

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	68.5	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0	82.1	
Satisfied with home-school relations	96.0	87.5	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Powdersville Middle  
135 Hood Road  
Greenville, SC 29611

Grades 6-8 Middle School

Enrollment: 446 Students

### Principal

Mr. Monty Oxendine 864-269-1821

### Superintendent

Dr. W. R. Christopher 864-847-7344

### Board Chair

Fred Alexander 864-947-9346



## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001

School Grade:  
Good



### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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